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In re application of:

Bernd VOSSELER et al.

Serial No.: Filed:

09/911,206 07/23/2001

For:

LASER IMAGE WITH VARIABLE PRINTING SPOT SIZE

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action (7 pgs) in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.

Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.

No fee for additional claims is required.

A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 19, 2002

Sir:

In response to the first office action dated May 3, 2002 received in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration of the application based on the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0029] with the following:

[0029] Fig. 4 shows a preferred embodiment of the present invention for the imaging of a printing surface which is located on a rotatable cylinder. An embodiment of this kind can be implemented, in particular, in a printing mechanism or a printing machine. Laser light source 40 generates a laser beam 42 which is imaged, via an imaging optics 44, in spot 410 on printing

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